

**SENATE CONCURRENT  
RESOLUTION No. \_\_\_\_\_**

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DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

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*Whereas, the biennium 2004-2005 marks the 350th anniversary of the Jewish community in North America, and also marks the 100th anniversary of the Jewish Federation of Greater Indianapolis;*

*Whereas, in 1654, Spanish-Portuguese Jewish refugees escaping the Inquisition in South America arrived on North American shores and formally established North America's first Jewish community in New Amsterdam, now New York City;*

*Whereas, Jews from Central and Eastern Europe and other parts of the world would continue to arrive in successive waves of immigration during the 19th and 20th centuries seeking liberty and opportunity in America;*

*Whereas, the American Jewish community has actively participated in and contributed to the civic, social economic, and cultural life of Indiana and the United States of America and has served in all branches of the armed forces in defense of the broad principles of liberty and justice that are guaranteed in the Constitution of the United States;*



*Whereas, the Jewish Federation of Greater Indianapolis, established in 1905, has organized and directed the philanthropic efforts of the Jewish community; and worked alongside the Jewish congregations in our city and state to advance the values of Jewish culture, faith and tradition;*

*Whereas, in its 100 years of existence, the Jewish Federation of Greater Indianapolis has successfully implemented a broad range of programs and services to enhance the quality of life for children, youths, adults, and seniors of every religious and cultural background in Indianapolis and internationally; and*

*Whereas, the Jewish Federation of Greater Indianapolis continues to foster positive relationships and cultivate dialogue and understanding between the Jewish and general communities as reflected in the missions of its constituent agencies, including the Jewish Community Relations Council, the Jewish Community Center, the Bureau of Jewish Education, Hooverwood, and Park Regency: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the House of Representatives concurring:*

- 1       SECTION 1. The 350th anniversary of the Jewish
- 2 community in North America is hereby recognized.
- 3       SECTION 2. The Jewish Federation of Greater Indianapolis
- 4 is congratulated on its 100th anniversary and the Jewish
- 5 Federation is commended on its record of outstanding
- 6 contributions and achievements on behalf of the Jewish
- 7 community and the entire State of Indiana.
- 8       SECTION 3. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed
- 9 to transmit a copy of this Resolution to Michael Papo,
- 10 Executive Director of the Jewish Federation of Greater
- 11 Indianapolis.

